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The House met at 10 a.m.

Rev. Dr. Bruce Hargrave, Russia-U.S. Methodist Theological Seminary, Dallas, Texas, offered the following prayer:

O God, Who knows all things, knows all hearts, is in control of all things and Who allows each of us to have a measure of power and position, we acknowledge Your gifts to us and give You thanks. We thank You for the bountiful blessings You have poured out upon our country, its people, and each of us in this House.

O God, in these times of great challenge, we confess that in a rush to get things done we sometimes forget to seek Your guidance and wisdom. Forgive us, we pray.

We need Your wisdom, guidance and direction today, and ask You to grant it to each of us bountifully.

O God, lead each of us to a common goal of doing our best, doing the best for our fellow Americans, and doing the best we can to promote love for all mankind, peace for all mankind, and justice for all mankind.

We humbly ask all of this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CAPUANO). Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 7 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. DEGETTE) at 1 o'clock and 25 minutes p.m.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the

last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. VISCLOSKY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. VISCLOSKY led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the 1-minute speech of the gentleman from Texas (Mr. HALL) will appear in the RECORD at this point.

There was no objection.

HONORING DR. BRUCE HARGRAVE

Mr. HALL of Texas. Madam Speaker, I am honored to introduce Dr. Bruce Hargrave, a pastor and friend from my hometown—Rockwall, TX—who offered the Opening Prayer today.

Dr. Hargrave currently serves as Vice President of Development for the United Methodist Theological Seminary in Moscow, Russia.

From 2003 to 2008, he was the Associate Pastor at First United Methodist Church of Rockwall. During his time there and with his help, the church increased its mission initiatives, including developing in conjunction with the General Board of Higher Education & Ministry, the construction of the only United Methodist Seminary on the continent of Africa. His effective pastoral work over the past 38 years is evident in the success of the churches he has led, all showing growth in membership and attendance, as well as an increase in giving to missions.

Along with his pastoral work, Dr. Hargrave worked for the Garland, TX, Community Hos-

pital Psychiatric and Addiction Medicine Unit from 1993 to 1997. While there he served as Director of the Behavioral Medicine Clinic for Tenet Health Corporation and Hunt County Family Services in Greenville, TX, as well as Provider Relations Director and Associate Clinical Supervisor.

Dr. Hargrave received a Bachelor of Science in Philosophy from Dallas Baptist University. He earned his Master of Divinity in Pastoral Ministry from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Ft. Worth, TX, before completing his education at Luther-Rice University in Lithonia, Georgia with a Doctorate of Ministry in Administration.

Dr. Hargrave's faith in God is reflected in his career, one which has been spent in service to the betterment of others. I am honored to welcome Dr. Bruce Hargrave today as our guest Chaplain in the U.S. House of Representatives.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 further requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

HEALTH CARE REFORM

(Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend my fellow Democratic colleagues for their commitment to reforming the health care system with the goal of reducing costs and improving access to quality health care for all Americans.

Health care premiums are increasing at an alarming rate; in fact, in the last 10 years, they have doubled. Currently, over \$1,000 of the average American family's annual health care premium goes to support uninsured Americans, and still we have over 46 million Americans who don't have access to health

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